

RIGID TESTS GIVEN MUNSEY TOUR CARS

Work Is Rapid at Philadelphia Preparatory to Starting Day.

STRANG IS AMONG THE LATE ARRIVALS

Conference Tonight and Farewell Smoker Tomorrow, Concluding Program.

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The great New York-Paris race, and astonished the world by the reliability of American machines, arrived today, and reported to headquarters for the official work it will have to do. The Thomas car will be a press car during the run, and is a striking machine in appearance. It attracted much attention today as it was driven about the city.

The Ohio roadster, which will act as the starter's car, has been started from the factory, and is now on its way to headquarters.

Technical Test Severe.

In the technical examination the tread of every machine is measured. The height of the frame from the axle is accurately ascertained. The springs are measured in a most thorough manner, both the width of the leaves and the thickness of the leaves being taken into consideration. The springs are afterward counted, the whole operation being attended to strictly to make certain that the springs are according to stock certificate. Three men are constantly engaged in taking these measurements to check up the makers' certificates.

While this work is going on another man is checking up the spare parts, putting them in bags and sealing them up. Other measurements are also taken. The diameter and length of the spokes are ascertained and the floor boards and hood covering are removed for an inspection of the power plant.

All the information obtained is carefully jotted down and the finished page signed by the driver and the representative of the entrant so that no dispute can possibly arise.

Important Meeting.

The technical committee is prepared for the important meeting of the drivers and observers to be held in the assembly room of the Hotel Walton this evening at 8 o'clock. This is one of the most important preliminaries to the tour.

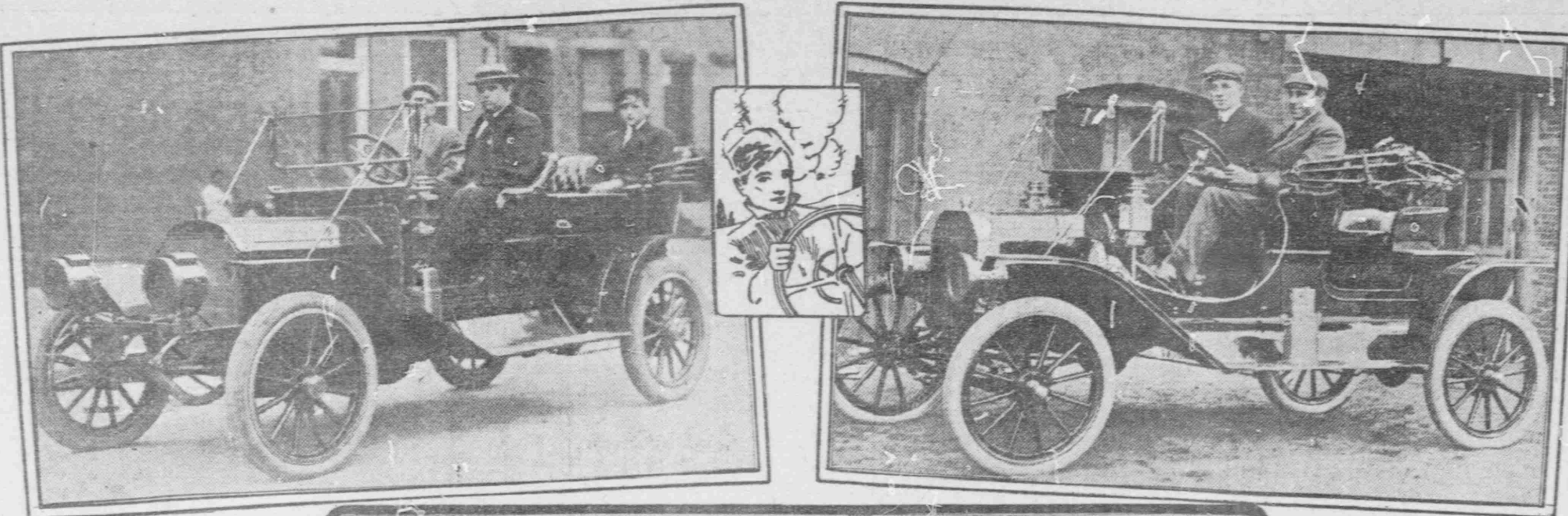
"I consider this meeting so necessary to the success of the drivers and observers that I would warn all of them to be strictly on time," said E. L. Ferguson this morning. "The success or failure of a car may depend on the driver's interpretation of the rules and of the knowledge which an observer has of his duties. Any driver or observer who does not fully understand the import of any clause in the contest rules should be at the meeting prepared to get information on the subject."

The meeting of the drivers and observers will be under the direct charge of Mr. Ferguson, although the other members of the technical committee will attend it.

Entrants Still Arrive.

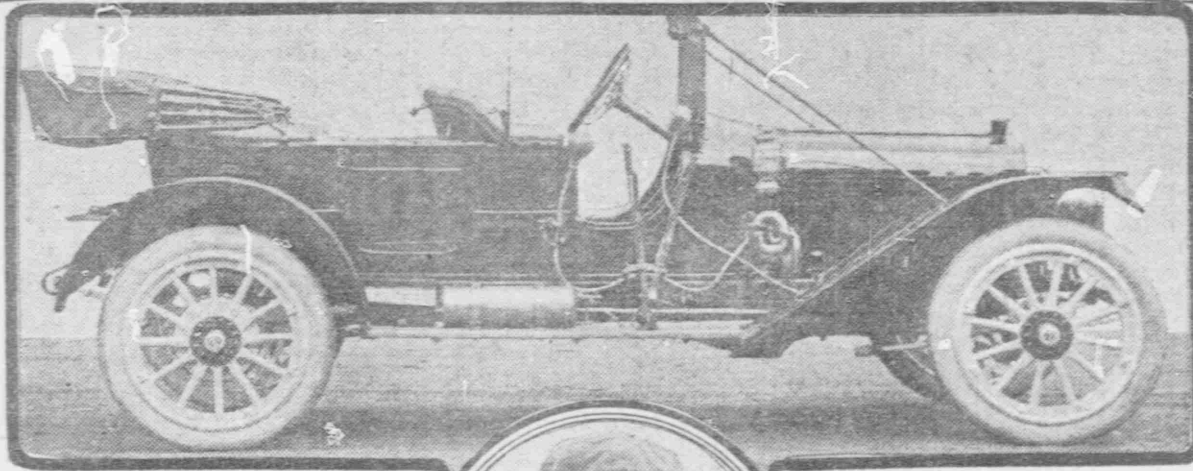
M. C. Reeves, representing the United States Motors Company, arrived at headquarters last night with a squadron of cars composed of the big Columbia pacemaker car, the Columbia contesting car, and two Max-

GROUP OF ENTRIES AND DRIVERS IN THE MUNSEY TOUR



CRAWFORD CAR,
With Walter Scott At Wheel.

FORD CAR,
With F. H. Peabody At Wheel. Entered
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CORBIN CAR,
Which Will Be Driven By John Dower



JOHN DOWER,
Driver of the Corbin Car.

AUTOMOBILE NOTES.

There is much rejoicing around the salesroom of the Zell Motor Car Company over the sale of the following machines: A Chalmers "40" car, with torpedo body, to Major Cole, U. S. A.; a Chalmers "30" roadster to Captain Fay, U. S. M. C.; Chalmers "30" touring car to T. B. Stabler, Chalmers "30" with pony tonneau, to Harold I. Sewall, and a similar car to the George A. Fuller Co.

Thomas F. Murray is the latest purchaser of a fully equipped Washington car of the touring type, finished in olive green and striped with gold.

Fulton R. Gordon has placed an order with the Commercial Automobile and Supply Company for an E-M-F touring car, fully equipped. F. W. Garber has also placed an order for one of these machines.

Harry A. Kite and a party of friends left yesterday morning in a Palmer-Singer "30" touring car for a four days' trip down the Shenandoah valley.

Norman S. Bowles, the Warren-Detroit agent, is having good success in placing these cars. Recent sales include cars for Dr. George W. Cabinnis, S. D. Branson, and M. C. Tribby.

The selection of the Selden car for pilot of the Munsey Historic Tour

in the book of progressive locomotion, George H. Selden. The car is the result of years of study, hard work, and close application to a principle.

The Washington Fire Department have placed an order for a Washington car with the Carter Motor Car Corporation of this city. The car is of the touring type and painted in dark carmine. It is fully equipped in every respect, including fire pump, locomotive bell, and electric siren. The car is for the exclusive use of Fire Chief Wagner.

Matheson cars, which have taken a prominent part in endurance runs, hill climbs, and track events this year, will be seen in competition. In the next twenty-four-hour race to be held on the Brighton Beach racetrack under the auspices of the Motor Racing Association of New York, September 16 and 17, in all probability two cars will be

entered, but the drivers have so far not been nominated.

The Carter Company also has received an order from Detroit for ten carloads of Washington cars, to be delivered on specified dates. The headquarters and show rooms will be in the city of Detroit. The agency covers the entire State of Michigan.

The motorists of New Jersey have become thoroughly aroused at the non-reciprocal and retaliatory measures employed against them because of the New Jersey laws, and are planning a State-wide campaign that has for its slogan "reciprocity."

The New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club, with its 2,500 members, is first in the field, and will on August 27, at the Newark club house, hold a mass-meeting, at which the motorists will express their views on the laws current in this and the neighboring States. At this meeting every club in New Jersey will be instructed to carry along the campaign for more rational laws and reciprocity.

At Glendive, Mont., recently, a new record for automobiles was made when a Buick Forty was successfully used to stop a runaway switch engine.

The Washington flying squadron, composed of two roadsters and one toy tonneau, left this morning for Philadelphia, to participate in the Munsey Historic Tour to New England and return.

The selection of the cars for the tour is an attractive one. The toy tonneau is painted in dark red, striped in black and gold. One roadster is painted in olive green and striped in black and gold. The second roadster is painted in auto gray, striped in black and gold.

MID-WEST TO GET CLASSIC ROAD RACES

Contest Board of Automobile Association Awards Event to Chicago.

In accordance with the policy of a fair apportionment of national events over the whole country, the middle West will this year be the scene of the national stock chassis road races, which were held last year at Lowell, Mass. The contest board of the American Automobile Association has awarded this race to the Chicago Motor Club, and this organization, in conjunction with the Elgin Road Racing Association, will, on August 26 and 27, conduct the races over the eight-and-one-half mile course at Elgin, Ill. The big event will be the race on August 27, over the 20-mile course, for the Elgin national trophy for stock chassis cars. The course is now being prepared, and will be open for practice this week. The entries to date include: For the Fox River trophy, Ford, Cole, and Overland; for the Kane county trophy, two Maxwells and a Cino; for the Illinois trophy, Marmon, two Nationals, two Velas, and two Pals; for the Elgin national race, two Nationals, Lozier, Marmon, Matheson, and Cino.

Barney Oldfield, the veteran speed king, and his wife, will make a tour of the world. They will start the latter part of November, making their first stop at Honolulu, and will visit Japan, China, Australia, India, Egypt and various European points. Barney will take along his 200-horsepower Buick and clean up whatever foreign records look good enough along the route. He has long coveted the honor of lowering the speed records made by the Britishers on their world-famous banked oval at Brooklands, England, and has promised his closest friends to achieve that honor for America before he returns home in the spring.

The New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club will attempt to alter the laws passed some time ago by the New Jersey Legislature that affect driving at night without a light. The club favors a law that will compel all vehicles to carry a light when traveling at night. This remedial legislation will benefit the drivers of wagons and carriages in country roads and will tend to lessen the dangers of the road. The club also desires that the fines imposed for breaking the laws in this respect shall be turned over to the State treasury and the money so raised shall be expended upon the repair of the improved roads of the State, and not for the building of new roads.

Although the National Company is out of the racing game for the time being, and although Johnny Aitken will not drive any more, the car blue cars will be on hand when the high-powered speed events line up for the leading racing events during the remainder of the season. Arthur Greiner, the Chicago amateur, and Al Livingstone, the "Great Champion," have entered three cars in the Algonquin hill climb and the Elgin road races.

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